

STATE FACTSHEET

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The Village of Sandoval, IL is a community adjacent to the Sandoval Zinc Smelter National Priorities List (NPL) site. While the smelter was in operation, members of the community were allowed to use leftover slag from the smelter as fill material on properties throughout the community of Sandoval. In reviewing soil sampling results, ATSDR identified elevated lead levels at a day-care facility, informed the US EPA that the levels posed a public health hazard to children attending the daycare, and informed US EPA management of the need to take immediate action to mitigate the public health threat. Almost immediately the US EPA removed the contaminated soil, eliminating the public health threat and helping to ensure a safe environment for the day-care attendees and staff.